

House Resolution No. 3503

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize John R. Cline, an esteemed resident of Mexico, Missouri, who is retiring from Martinsburg Bank and Trust in Mexico after a fifty-year career in the banking industry; and

Whereas, John Cline began his banking career as a note teller at First National Bank of Monett in 1949, following which he held positions with the Farmer's Exchange Bank in Parkville, First National Bank in Sedan, Kansas, Citizens National Bank/Commerce Bank of Kirksville, Commerce Bank of Mexico, American Bank in Union, and Martinsburg Bank and Trust in Mexico, where he served as President and Chief Executive Officer for twelve years; and

Whereas, John Cline currently serves on the Board of Directors of Martinsburg Bank and Trust, Midwest Independent Bank, Missouri Bankers Association, and Missouri Independent Bankers Association; and

Whereas, the worthy recipient of the Mexico Area Chamber of Commerce 1996 Colonel C.R. Stribling, Jr. Community Service Award, John Cline is exceedingly proud of his affiliation with such important organizations as the Jaycees, Rotary Club, and the Mexico Area Chamber of Commerce; and

Whereas, a native of Monett, John Cline dutifully served his country in the United States Navy and received his Bachelor's degree from Drury College in Springfield; and

Whereas, a devout member of St. Matthew Episcopal Church, John Cline has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of his devoted wife, Mary; and

Whereas, John Cline will be recognized for his contributions to the banking industry and for his induction into the Missouri Bankers Association 50-Year Club during an open house reception to be held June 30, 2004:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in expressing our utmost appreciation to John Cline for his fifty years of unparalleled service to the Martinsburg Bank and Trust and to his profession, and in wishing him the long, enjoyable retirement he so richly deserves; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for John R. Cline.

Offered by _____
Representative Steve Hobbs
District No. 21

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3503, adopted June 29, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker